



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

SENIOR MASTER SERGEANT ERNESTO A. OTERO JR

Senior Master Sergeant Ernesto A. Otero Jr serves as the Superintendent, 959th Clinical Support Squadron, San Antonio Military Medical Center (SAMMC), Joint Base San Antonio Lackland-Fort Sam Houston, Texas. In this capacity, as the senior enlisted advisor to the Commander he provides sound guidance, technical direction on all issues regarding welfare, readiness, morale, proper utilization and progress of the enlisted force. He is responsible for the management and sustainment of over 500 active duty Air Force and civilian employees. Also, he serves as the Air Education Training Command 4D Functional Manager, mentoring the development of 67 diet therapy technicians across 3 installations.

Sergeant Otero is from Colorado Springs, Colorado and entered the U.S. Air Force in September 1995. His career field is a diet therapist technician, which includes various positions within Nutritional Medicine. He has served as a Military Training Instructor and a full-time additional duty First Sergeant. He has deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Prior to his assignment to Joint Base San Antonio Lackland-Fort Sam Houston, he served as the Nutritional Medicine Flight Chief and full-time additional duty First Sergeant at the 633d Medical Group, 633d Air Base Wing Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia.



EDUCATION:

2001 Airman Leadership School, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
2007 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Kirtland AFB, New Mexico
2014 Associate Degree, Dietetics and Nutrition, Community College of the Air Force
2014 Associate Degree, Education and Training Management, Community College of the Air Force
2014 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Course 14
2017 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education Course

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. September 1995 - October, Basic Military Training, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
2. November 1995 - February 1996, Nutritional Food Service Technician Training, Sheppard AFB, Texas

3. March 1996 - February 2003, Diet Therapy Journeyman, Lackland AFB, Texas
4. March 2003 - March 2008, Diet Therapy Craftsman, 52d Fighter Wing, Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany
5. April 2008 - July 2009, NCOIC of Health and Wellness Center, 27th Special Operations Medical Group, Cannon AFB, New Mexico
6. August 2009 - August 2014, Instructor Supervisor, 322nd Training Squadron, Joint Base San Antonio Lackland-Fort Sam Houston, Texas
7. September 2014 - August 2017, Chief of Nutritional Medicine and Full-time Additional Duty First Sergeant, 633d Medical Support Squadron, 633d Medical Group, JB Langley-Eustis, Virginia
8. September 2017 - October, 959th Nutritional Medicine Flight Chief, Joint Base San Antonio Lackland-Fort Sam Houston, Texas
9. October - Present, Superintendent, 959th Clinical Support Squadron, JB San Antonio Lackland-Fort Sam Houston, Texas

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Meritorious Service Medal with 1 Oak Leaf Clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters
Air Force Achievement Medal with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters
Air Force Good Conduct Medal with 1 Sliver Oak Leaf Cluster and 2 Oak Leaf Clusters
National Defense Service Medal with Service Star
Iraq Campaign Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Airman Basic September 14, 1995
Airman First Class January 14, 1997
Senior Airman September 14, 1998
Staff Sergeant April 1, 2001
Technical Sergeant November 1, 2007
Master Sergeant January 1, 2013
Senior Master Sergeant September 1, 2017

(Current as of Dec 17)